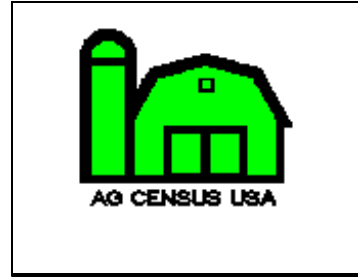


1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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WATAUGA NORTH CAROLINA

Land in farms

Increased 21 percent from 46,726 acres in 1992 to 56,508 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 22 percent from 69 acres in 1992 to 84 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 12 percent from 292 farms in 1992 to 256 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

Increased 54 percent to \$11,641,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 59 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 41 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 54 percent from \$11,228 in 1992 to \$17,272 in 1997.

